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QUESTION OF QUARTERS IS ALL IMPORTANT.

It is announced that another Progress Dinner will be held at Hotel Warwick next Tuesday night, for the purpose of making public the report of the special committee of twelve appointed to draft a plan of organization for the proposed new commercial body. Every citizen who felt that it was his duty to attend the first dinner should make it a point to be present when the committee reports, and do what he can to assist in making the movement a success.

A fine, representative body of citizens gathered for the first meeting, and it is to be hoped that the crowd Tuesday evening will be even larger, for unless the loyal and progressive people of the city stand behind this undertaking it will come to naught. A dozen or so public spirited men may work their heads off, and the newspapers may fill their columns with boost talk, but unless the citizens turn out to attend meetings, pay the necessary dues and in other ways show an active interest in the affairs, this movement will die aborning, or live just long enough to bring discouragement to those who work for its success.

While the details of the plan of organization have not been made public, it has become known that some of those who are figuring prominently in the movement are very much in favor of spending a large sum of money, probably several thousand dollars, to "import" and employ an experienced, wide-awake man as secretary. With some, the one idea seems to be to employ this secretary, and spend practically the entire income of the proposed body in paying his salary and expenses.

Certainly the body should have a first class secretary, and it will take money to get the man wanted. There are other things to be considered, however, and if the secretary idea is carried too far it is liable to ruin the organization. What the commercial bodies of Newport News need more than anything else is a home; a place to be known as headquarters for men who have business to discuss and transact. In the first place there should be suitable offices and a comfortable, conveniently located hall for meetings. Then it is very important that there should be a reception room and one or two smaller rooms for business conference.

The Daily Press believes that this question of quarters is an all important one to the proposed organization. Without adequate quarters the body will never be able to hold the interest of its members, even if a sufficient number of people should join at the start to make success seem assured. If the leaders in the movement depend entirely upon a secretary they will find that they have but too great a task upon one man. When the first year has passed it will be found that only a small percentage of the original members are willing to go down into their pockets for dues. The people must be brought together before they will spend their money and give their time and attention to public matters, and the proper spirit of cooperation can never be built up as long as the members of a commercial organization see each other only when a formal meeting is called.

ONE GOOD SCHEME SHOULD NOT KILL ANOTHER.

While the idea of having the street railway company extend its tracks through the subway at Twentieth street and down to Eighteenth street is a good one, there seems to be no reason why this plan should interfere with the proposed extension of the tracks on River road from the Chesapeake & Ohio depot to pier 6. A line to Eighteenth street via the subway would be a splendid thing for the residents of the "Acres" as well as for the people employed at and around pier 6 and living on the eastern section of the city. It would, however, be of no benefit whatever to the transportation company employees living west of the railway tracks, or to passengers leaving steamers at the piers and desiring to reach the center of the city.

The extension from the depot down river road is badly needed and the scheme should not be abandoned because another good idea has come to mind. Mr. Payne, president of the street railway company, has stated the extension will be made if the necessary arrangements can be made with city and the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. The city will, it is believed, do its part, and it is hardly probable that the Chesapeake & Ohio can offer any effective opposition as River Road has been open to the public as a highway for so long that it would be difficult to claim it as private property.

In Turkey the Sultan is being accorded ovations for granting a constitution forced from him by the people. After awhile his highness will work himself up to the point of believing he wanted a Parliament all the time.

The boys expelled from West Point the other day for hazing, seem to have been rather harshly dealt with. Sending "rats" out to corral some hundred nice fat rats is more harmless than most of the prevailing methods for pestering first classmen.

Kisses come high in Philadelphia. Mrs. Evaline Slack wants \$1,000 for one osculatory morsel alleged to have been stolen from her by a produce merchant.

In Paris, Ky., a woman has agreed to give her baby to the holder of the winning coupon at a summer theater. The change will be a lucky one for the baby, no matter what sort of an individual wins.

Robert Hunter, the millionaire socialist, says Mr. Roosevelt does not understand the socialist party. And there are a few million other people in the same box with the President.

When Frank Hitchcock called upon Bryan in Chicago Sunday, a listener might have learned some valuable lessons in diplomacy.

With Uncle Henry Waterman at the head, the Democratic advisory press bureau is in no danger of going to sleep on the job.

That Taft banner at Lincoln is causing just a little too much worry.

THE VISITS OF TAFT.

By journeying to Oyster Bay Mr. Taft gained the supreme blessing of President Roosevelt's endorsement, but he doubtless will find that even the approval of the President may not compensate for the obvious dependence of the nominee on the nominator. To be sure, after the election President Roosevelt has raised the most roseate hopes for Wall Street and magazine editors by promising to go to Africa, and thereby presumably leave Secretary Taft, if elected, alone in his glory. But in the meantime the tie has not been loosened, and the trip to Oyster Bay apparently shows that even in so personal a matter as the letter of acceptance Mr. Taft is in effect completely under the domination of his political creator.

Mr. Roosevelt is at once loved and hated with the cordiality and intensity that always belong to a very vigorous personality, while Mr. Taft is passively liked or disliked. As many others have found out before, to wear the giant's robe may be spectacular, but is almost certainly suicidal. The American people want a man that thinks and acts for himself. Mr. Roosevelt, with all his defects, might yet have been re-elected had he not refused the proffered crown, but Mr. Roosevelt by proxy is a very different matter. Mr. Taft may value Mr. Roosevelt's advice, but he will have good reason to fear that advice if it is bought at the price of abdication of his own views. Richmond Times-Dispatch.

NORMAN E. MACK CHAIRMAN.
Norman E. Mack has been chosen chairman of the national Democratic committee. No better selection could have been made. Mr. Mack will put brain and energy and heart into his work and will accomplish as much as any man who could have been selected.

Mr. Mack has been for years the New York member of the national Democratic committee. In that capacity he has done good work. He has never been a sulker. Through all the campaigns he has been in hearty ac-

cord with the Democratic ticket and has year after year done good work. In the light of his election as chairman the talk of opposing him from his position on the committee which has held so long has a rather humorous sound now. When the New York convention selected an undisciplined delegation to Denver there was much talk among those who controlled of displacing Mr. Mack. Instead of being displaced from the committee he is made its chairman.

Mr. Mack is probably closer than any other Eastern leader to Mr. Bryan. In spite of this, some would say, because of it, others would claim he wields as great influence as any Democrat in New York. The truth is the rank and file in New York are for Bryan and Mr. Mack's power was gained by his agreement with the men behind the vote.

Mr. Mack's election as chairman means a vigorous fight for the East. There will be no enemy's country this year. The Republicans will not be able to neglect any part of the country. The battle that is beginning will be fought along the whole line. Florida Times-Union.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch and News Leader opposed Mr. Bryan's nomination. It was their right to do so just as much as it was ours to advocate him. But both papers have announced their intention of loyally supporting the Democratic nominee. Why do our contemporaries continue to nag them and nag them for their course eight or twelve years ago? Let us cease this bickering. Let us have peace in our household!—Williamsburg Virginia Gazette.

WITH THE PARAGRAPHERS.

At the present rate, the next development will be nickel in the slot dividers. Since entrances of theaters should be favored locations.—Philadelphia Times.

Anyway, it is no more reprehensible for Congress than for the protected manufacturers to "educate" the labor vote. Charleston News and Courier.

The debt of the city of New York is now greater than the entire debt of Germany. Perhaps Emperor William Hun-nollern won't feel so chagrined when he learns that.—Morgantown Post-Chronicle.

The Standard Oil Company is not yet out of trouble. President Roosevelt says there is no doubt of its guilt and he still has seven months to serve.—Baltimore News.

Melville E. Ingalls, formerly president of the Big Four Railroad, is supporting Bryan. He says he is tired of hearing the party talk about Bryan's possible election playing the wiles with our property.—Savannah Press.

A clever Spokane cartoonist, under the caption "Then and Now," shows the days of 1858, when bloodthirsty braves roamed the principal streets of that city, and 1908, when bloodthirsty automobiles race down them; the inference being, has progress progressed?—Butte Inter-Mountain.

When every voter in the United States seriously considers the effect of his vote, the character of the man for whom he votes, what course that man will pursue in his office and the effect of that course, then we will have a government under which no class of men nor any man will suffer injustice.—Winston-Salem Journal.

THE HOUSE OF SILENCE.

My neighbor's house across the way is dark today; the shades are drawn; Around the door no children play— Some one is gone.

The doves that coo upon the eaves appear to know and note the change; The song the wind sings to the leaves is weird and strange.

The busy people hurry by, Too eager to perceive or care; Too anxious to pause, asking why 'Tis silent there.

My neighbor's house across the way, The scene of recent revelry, In darkened silence stands today, Confronting me.

My neighbor and her boy have left, To stay till all their cash is spent; The air by no shrill whisper is left— I'm glad they went.

CONSULS ARE WAKING UP.

Some of Them Now Inject Human Interest Into Their Reports.

Every now and then an American consul gets away from the beaten path in his reports to the home government. He injects a little "human interest" into what he has to say. For instance, Consul General Miller at Yokohama, furnished the rather interesting information that a good market exists for animal gallstones in Japan.

He says that they are useful in Japan for in that country a "medicine" of being commonly believed that they possess efficacious qualities when used in the treatment of diseases of children. They are also used on the market to distinguish their origin as Oriental and occidental, the former being supposed to possess the greater virtue and in consequence being of greater market value, though the latter also finds a ready sale at a slightly lower figure.

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There are two recognized abattoirs for Brussels and suburbs, one belonging to a private corporation and the other a municipal slaughter house. The former butchers 2,798 to 2,950 and the latter about 1,200 to 1,500 horses annually. This large consumption of horse meat is due to the high clearance for other meats in that city. There are about 36 larders' establishments in Brussels and suburbs retailing horse meat only. The retail price varies from 67 cents to 154 per 11 pounds.

WILL BE HARD TO KILL.

Russian Soldiers May be Clad in Bullet-Proof Garments.

The Russian government has under serious consideration the question of providing its soldiers with the bullet-proof clothing designed by one of its army officers, Col. Tchermakine. A suggestion that this is to be done followed recent experiments which proved highly satisfactory.

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Policeman rushing in the other direction. All right, boy. Boy—Say, cap, did I do wrong way? Policeman—I know it but I have got to make my call now. I'll be right back.—Florida Times-Union.

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Lv. Phila.	2:00 p. m.	2:13 p. m.	
Ar. Wash.	6:05 p. m.	5:20 p. m.	
Lv. Wash.	6:30 p. m.	6:30 p. m.	
Ar. Old Point ..	7:00 a. m.	7:00 a. m.	
Ar. Norfolk ...	8:00 a. m.	8:00 a. m.	
Ar. Portsmouth.	8:30 a. m.	8:30 a. m.	

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